

Introduced by: Councilmember Elrich

1st Reading: 2 May 2005

2nd Reading: 9 May 2005

ORDINANCE NO. 2005-12

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF CONTRACT FOR SERVICES WITH
CONSUMER CREDIT COUNSELING SERVICES OF GREATER WASHINGTON, INC.**

WHEREAS, the Council has encouraged the promotion and creation of home ownership opportunities for Takoma Park residents as evidenced in its adoption of the Affordable Housing Policy and Action Plan (2002); and

WHEREAS, to provide residents with the resources needed to become financially ready and more knowledgeable about the home buying process, the City has developed the Takoma Park Home Buyers Club, a twelve-month training program designed to assist residents interested in becoming successful homeowners; and

WHEREAS, the programming offered through the Home Buyers Club is to be provided by certified trainers; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with approved procurement procedures, Consumer Credit Counseling Services of Greater Washington, Inc., the only HUD approved home ownership counseling service in Montgomery County, was found to be a sole source provider; and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds are available within the City Priorities FY05 budget for this contract.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND**

SECTION 1. The City Manager is hereby authorized to enter into a twelve-month contract with Consumer Credit Counseling Services of Greater Washington, Inc. for training and services required by the Takoma Park Home Buyers Club in an amount not to exceed \$12,800.00.

SECTION 2. The City Manager is further authorized to renew, as appropriate, such contract for up to three additional one year terms.

Adopted this 9th day of May, 2005, by roll-call vote as follows:

Aye:	Porter, Austin-Lane, Barry, Elrich, Mizeur, Williams
Nay:	None
Absent:	Seamens
Abstain:	None